



South Carolina Dept of Health and Human Services CHIPRA Quality Demonstration Grant Team

Quality through Technology and Innovation in Pediatrics Planning and Steering Committee Minutes June 30, 2010 at 10:00

1. Welcome and Introductions

Meeting Attendees:

Rosemary Wilson - DHEC
Jackie Richards– Family Connections
Kathy Mayfield-Smith – IFS
Sarah Ball – SCOREx
Dr. Fred Volkman – Select Health of South Carolina
Anthony Hargrave – IBM
Vicky Young – South Carolina Primary Health Care Association
Lathran Woodard – South Carolina Primary Health Care Association
Lynn Martin – DHHS
Felicity Myers – DHHS
Laurel Eddins – DHHS
Lena Aquino – DHHS
David Wiggins – Thomson Reuters
Marisa Allen – Thomson Reuters
Dr. Francis Rushton (via conference line) – SC CATCH
Marci Bennafield (via conference line) – Thomson Reuters
Sallie Campbell (via conference line) – MUSC
Vik Kheterpal (via conference line) – Care Evolution
Dr. Bob Banks (via conference line) – DMH

2. Review and Approve Minutes – (group)

- The Committee approved the minutes from the May 26th meeting.

3. Overview of QTIP logos – (group)

- The first logo was selected. DHHS will consult with legal to ensure there are no trademark/branding issues.

4. Provider applications – Lynn Martin

- 10 applications have been submitted to date
- Alternative submission processes have been developed to submit applications (by fax or telephone)
- Recruitment efforts:
 - Medicaid blast to over 3,000 providers
 - Dr. Rushton placed an article in the SC AAP newsletter
 - Targeted emails to members of CATCH were sent
 - Dr. Rushton is prepared to have an additional mailing, depending on the number of applications received.
 - Presentation at summer meeting of SCAAP



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- “Profile” of applications received (to date).
 - 7 pediatric practices
 - 1 FQHC center
 - 2 Rural Health Clinics
 - All applications have been submitted online, thus far
 - There have been variances in size, location, Medicaid population along with HIT use.
- Selection Process
 - A more detailed interview process will begin once applications have been reviewed.
 - We would like to close the application link by July 28, 2010. We will extend the July 28th deadline as we get closer if there is not a heterogeneous mix of practices.
 - The goal is for the selection process to be completed by September 1st.
 - The Planning and Steering Committee recommended that the July 28th cut-off date be publicized.
- Vik Khetarpal will give the principals a brief overview of EHR lite so this can be explained during the interviews.

5. Quality Indicators –Summary and Next steps – Lynn and Dr. Rushton

- The Planning and Steering quality improvement rankings have been updated and the top concerns are: BMI, Emergency Room visits, Well Child visits, Access to care, and Childhood Immunizations
- In addition, ADHD, Asthma and Diabetes were frequently indicated by Planning and Steering members.
- The Learning Collaborative made up of primarily physicians will be completing the Quality Indicator rankings on July 1st.
- The goal is to select the QI measures for year 1, we will use the rankings from Planning and Steering, Learning Collaborative and input from Thomson Reuters.
- Family Connections has a program called Project Breathe Easy which is a home visitation program with parents that educates the parents about asthma and preventing it; Jackie Richards suggested implementing the home visitations with the indicators to help reinforce what the physician’s tell the patients.
- A discussion occurred on using the QTIP grant to help improve early intervention referrals so that they would have better health interventions
- At the July Planning & Steering committee, the group will be given an opportunity to review and comment on the Quality Measure Indicators selected.

6. SCORxE Presentation & Discussion –Sarah Ball

- SCORxE proves academic detailing about drug therapy and best practices
- Free of commercial or any external influences
- Dr. Rushton asked Sarah to review QI measures to see which ones will be applicable to SCORxE.



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7. Brief Overview of NCQA Standards – Dr. Rushton

- The NCQA standards are currently being revised
- Dr. Rushton highlighted certain standards which may prove challenging. He will discuss in greater detail with the principals.
- Medical Home Networks and Managed Care Organizations have requirements to become NCQA certified within the next year, but there are not a lot of parallels because the requirements for MHNs, MCOs and physician's are different.
- More discussion to follow on this topic at a later date.

8. Thomson Reuters Presentation & Discussion – Marisa Allen and David Wiggins

- Works with decision support systems, will be analyzing data requirements, will offer Data Management/Technical Expertise and will calculate and report Quality Measures for the CHIPRA grant.

9. Suggestions for Next Month's Agenda – (group)

- Principal contractors are getting together July 27th and after the Planning & Steering meeting on the 28th to provide information on their roles and to give some structure as to how to write Final Operation Plan.
- In the future meetings, the following topics will be addressed:
 - Regional Extension Centers presentation
 - Follow up on Quality Indicator Measures
 - Jackie Richards with Family Connections will present at the August Planning and Steering Committee Meeting
 - Further discussion on NCQA standards
- Information provided at the meeting or via email:
 - Planning and Steering QI Measures
 - NCQA Standards
 - Application
 - SCORxE Presentation
 - Thomson Reuters Presentation
 - Final Operation Plan